

Great White American Pelicans, Bombay Beach, Salton Sea on 04/01/15.

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SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events - National

Social media, smartphone apps among online tools used to fuel anonymous threats in schools

(FOX) Threats against schools don't just come written on bathroom walls these days. They are spread using smartphone apps, social media and Internet phone services. These anonymous reports of bombs or other threats of violence are forcing school evacuations and responses by police or other authorities. In the vast majority of cases, a threat turns out to be a hoax. Still, the use of the modern technologies has made it that much harder to determine if threats are real and to find the culprits. School safety experts say the number of such incidents appears to be increasing — as are the complexity of the cases. The latest figures from the National Center for Education Statistics, from the 2009-2010 school year, show 5,700 such disruptions.

Significant Events - International

Dozens die as Russian trawler sinks

(Al Jazeera) A Russian freezer trawler with an international crew of 132 sank Thursday morning in the freezing Sea of Okhotsk off of the Kamchatka Peninsula and at least 50 crew members died, according to Russia's Emergency Ministry. Fifteen people are missing. More than 25 fishing boats in the area helped to rescue the crew members, the emergency services said in a statement on their website. "The rescue operation is going on, we are still looking for 15 people," Viktor Klepikov, coordinating captain of the Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky maritime rescue coordination centre, told Reuters news agency. "At this time we do not know what might have caused the tragedy." Water flooded the engine compartment and the trawler sank within 15 minutes, according to Russian emergency services. The ship did not send out a distress call before sinking, according to local media. The Russian Emergencies Ministry sent an Mi-8 helicopter with rescuers and doctors aboard to deliver medical assistance and transport rescued crew members to hospitals in the city of Magadan, the ministry said on its website. It also set up a telephone hotline for families of the crew, the ministry said. Besides Russia, Interfax said crew members came from Latvia, Ukraine, Myanmar and Vanuatu.

Kenya's Garissa University College Attacked by Masked Gunman

(NBC) At least 14 people were killed, 65 injured and hundreds were unaccounted for Thursday after gunmen stormed a college campus in Kenya, officials said. Masked attackers "shot indiscriminately" and "heavy gunfire and explosions" could be heard during the hours-long standoff at Garissa University College, authorities said. The Red Cross confirmed that an unknown number of students were being held hostage. At 6:30 a.m. ET, some 535 students of the 815 believed to be at the university had yet to be accounted for, according to a tweet sent by the country's National Disaster Operation Center. Augustine Alanga, a 21-year-old student, told The Associated Press he saw at least five heavily armed, masked gunmen after shots rang out near his dormitory. He described "running barefoot" to escape through barbed-wire fencing. Authorities said the attackers were holed-up inside dorms after a lengthy gunbattle with security services. Officials said the town had been "locked down" during the incident.

SITUATION SUMMARY

3.6M Earthquake, Danville, Contra Costa County

- On 04/02/15 at 0006 hours a 3.5M earthquake (EQ) occurred 1 mile SSW of Danville, Contra Costa County. The EQ later re-verified as a 3.6M.
- Contra Costa County Warning Point (WP) advised that the EQ was felt. There were no reports of damages. There were reports of medical calls for fear and anxiety.

River Bottom Vegetation Fire, San Bernardino County

- 185 acres and 95% containment as of 04/01/15 at 1554 hours per San Bernardino County Fire.
- Structures Destroyed: 1 Outbuilding.
- A Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) has been submitted to Cal OES. The fire does not meet FMAG criteria and has been placed on hold.
- Per the Cal OES SDO, Town of Apple Valley and San Bernardino County EOC deactivated as of 1700 hours on 04/01/15.
- There are no requests for assistance or unmet needs.

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

Weather of Concern

- A Freeze Warning is in effect from 0300 to 0800 hours on 04/02/15 for the Mendocino County Interior.
- A Freeze Warning remains in effect until 0900 hours this morning 04/02/15 for Central Siskiyou County.
- A Freeze Warning remains in effect from 0100 to 0900 hours on 04/03/15 for Central Siskiyou County.
- High Wind Warning in effect until 0900 hours on 04/02/15 for the Los Angeles, Santa Barbara and Ventura County mountains.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Cool temperatures will continue across the region today. A low pressure system will increase rain chances across the region this weekend and early next week.

Medford Weather:

There are still some low topped showers over the coast and waters as well as some light upslope showers in the mountains, but all of this is occurring under the radar. While things will be much more stable today, we expect to see isolated showers roaming these areas through this afternoon.

Reno Weather:

Much colder temperatures will continue through the end of the week, with a hard freeze likely for many areas Friday morning. Warming expected Friday afternoon into Saturday. Cold and breezy conditions will return for late in the weekend into early next week with increased chances for precipitation as a couple storms impact the region Sunday and Tuesday.

San Francisco Weather:

After a chilly start to the day temperatures will rebound back to seasonably mild readings this afternoon as high pressure builds. Continued seasonably mild and dry on Friday under high pressure. Increasing clouds on Saturday with slightly cooler weather expected. A weak system will move across northern California on Sunday with a chance of showers for the bay area... Especially during the morning for areas north of Monterey Bay. The system will move eastward by Sunday night with cool temperatures in place through Monday. The next system will approach Monday night with a chance of north bay rain spreading southward through the bay area and central coast on Tuesday. Dry weather looks to return by Wednesday.



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

Breezy north winds today. A little above normal daytime highs today and Friday. Cold gulf of Alaska low pressure system will bring cooler temperatures and chances for rain and mountain snow Sunday through early next week to most of northern California. Drying and warming by end of week.

Hanford Weather:

Seasonal temperatures through Thursday with above normal temperatures on Friday and Saturday. Mountain showers and cooler unsettled weather for Sunday.

Southern California:

Los Angeles Weather:

The gusty north winds will persist this morning then decrease. On Friday a moderate Santa Ana wind event will raise the temperatures to well above normal. A low pressure system will move in late Saturday for a cooling trend through midweek and possible precipitation on Tuesday.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

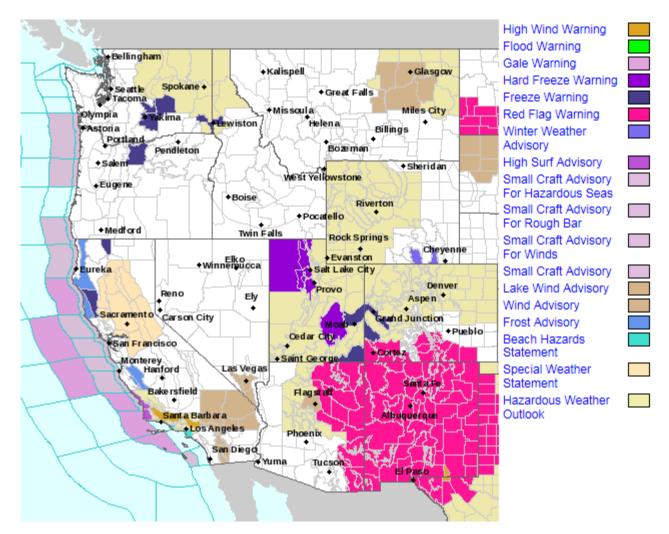
Breezy westerly winds will continue early this morning in the mountains and deserts as a trough moves across the region. Warm Friday with weak offshore flow. Troughs moving across the region this weekend and next week will create below normal highs Sunday through Wednesday, breezy westerly winds in the mountains and deserts and the possibility of light precipitation Tuesday and Wednesday.

Southeast California Weather:

A dry weather system will move into the region from the great basin today and Friday, ushering in cooler temperatures and much drier air and breezy to gusty winds. Dry conditions will remain through the weekend with continued above normal temperatures with daytime highs in the upper 80s to low 90s. An active upper level pattern will linger over the west into next week resulting in near or possibly even below normal temperatures for our afternoons and mild mornings.



STATE WEATHER MAP



FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Mono County

- Site sampling and hazardous materials recovery of the affected properties began 03/14/15. Cal Recycle began debris removal operations 03/23/15.
- Two Recovery personnel have deployed to Mono County to assist with debris removal operations.
- An Applicant's Briefing will be held on 04/03/15 at 1300 hours, at the Lee Vining Community Center, to discuss the eligibility and guidelines of the CDAA program.



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a monthly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Cal OES Regional (Inland, Costal, Southern) conference calls continue to occur on a bi-weekly basis.



CAL OES MISSIONS

Closed Cal OES Missions

- 2015-LAW-9386, 04/01/15, 1911 hrs., Maj. Davies, AFRCC, advised of an ELT sounding in the area of San Luis Obispo, with no registration information. At 2043 hours the ELT stopped sounding, AFRCC closed the mission. Law Duty Officer (LDO) advised. Mission Closed.
- 2015-LAW-9364, 04/01/15, 1130 hrs., Capt. Chiveser, AFRCC, Saudi Arabian PLB sounding at 34 33.5N 117 55.6 W near the Palmdale Regional Airport (PMD) and it's near a Air Force facility. AFRCC has no registered owner information regarding the PLB device. AFRCC request PLB serial number verification. Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch is coordinating the resources. On 04/02/15 at 0120 hours the AFRCC advised that the PLB was located and silenced. Mission Closed.

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

- 2015-LAW-9350, 03/31/15, 2021 hours, Lake County Sheriffs Department (LCSD) is requesting side scan sonar team to locate a subject presumed drowned. Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch is coordinating the resources. Update: 4/1/15, 1630 hrs. LCSD advised the Santa Clara SO team captured several images on the side scan sonar which will be investigated further Thursday by the LCSO dive team. An additional request for a water certified Human Remains Detection canine was coordinated by the Cal OES Law Enforcement branch for a response on Thursday morning. Mission Ongoing.
- 2015-LAW-9346, 03/31/15, 1022 hours, San Diego County Sheriffs Department (SDSD) is requesting search dogs. Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch is coordinating the search dog response.
- 2015-LAW-9018, 03/30/15, 1600 hours, (Reopened) Solano County Sheriff's Department (SCSD) is requesting resources to locate the remains of a cold case missing person from several years ago. SCSD is requesting 2 Cadaver search dog teams. Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch is coordinating the search dog response. This search will take place on Wednesday, 4/01/15 at 0800 hrs.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.